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December 06, 2005 02:13 PM

Senator John Cornyn U.S. Senate 517 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Cornyn:

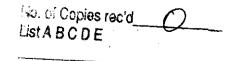
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445 - 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Irene M. Flannery

Vice President - High Cost and Low Income Division

Universal Service Administrative Company

2000 L Street, NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

Re:

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This is to certify that Olin Telephone Company, Inc.
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I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below. (Please enter your Company Name, State and Study Area Code)

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Company Name	State	Study Area Code		
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Signed, [Signature of Authorized Representative]	Date : Dec <u>ember 12</u> ,	2005
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December 19, 2005

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Senator Elizabeth Dole

U.S. Senate

555 Dirksen Senate Office Building - MAILROOM

Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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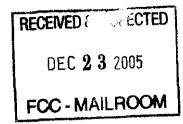
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Representative Charles Taylor U.S. House of Representatives 231 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001



December 19, 2005

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Taylor:

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December 1, 2005 9:18 AM

Senator Paul Sarbanes U.S. Senate 309 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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